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In re Application of:	:	
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U.S. Application No.: 10/526,714	:	DECISION ON PETITION
PCT No.: PCT/AU2003/001099	:	(37 CFR 1.181)
International Filing Date: 26 August 2003	:	
Priority Date: 04 September 2002	:	
Attorney's Docket No.: 830001.000	:	
For: CONVERSION OF SLUDGES AND	:	
CARBONACEOUS MATERIALS	:	

In a decision mailed by this Office on 17 October 2006, the present application was held to be abandoned based on applicants' failure to file a grantable petition confirming that the declaration executed by the previously non-signing inventor Stefan SKRYPSKI-MANTELE was timely filed.

On 06 November 2006, applicants filed the "Petition Under 37 CFR 1.181" considered herein. The petition includes a statement confirming that the accompanying declaration and transmittal letter were originally filed on 18 August 2006. A copy of a return postcard that itemizes the declaration and cover letter and bears a USPTO receipt stamp dated 18 August 2006 also accompanies the petition. Based on applicants' statements and the stamped return postcard, it is concluded that the declaration executed by the previously non-signing inventor Stefan SKRYPSKI-MANTELE and the accompanying transmittal letter (with fee authorization) were originally filed on 18 August 2006.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is **GRANTED**. The materials accompanying the present petition (i.e., the executed declaration and the transmittal letter containing the fee authorization) will be treated as having been filed on 18 August 2006.

Based on the fee authorization included in the 18 August 2006 submission, Deposit Account No. 50-3207 will be charged the fee for the five-month extension of time. Pursuant to this extension, the 18 August 2006 submission is considered a timely response to the decision mailed herein on 19 January 2006.

The holding of abandonment, based as it was on applicants' purported failure to file a timely response to the decision mailed 19 January 2006, is hereby **WITHDRAWN**.

This application is being referred to the national Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for further processing in accordance with this decision. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) is 18 August 2006.

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